PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Attorney Docket No.: 3081.117US01

Linde et al. Confirmation No.: 9835

Application No.: 10/536,665 Examiner: Edna Wong

Filed: May 27, 2005 Group Art Unit: 1795

For: PRODUCTION OF STRUCTURED HARD CHROME LAYERS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), an extension of time of one (1) month (from October 30, 2008 to November 30, 2008) within which to respond to the Office Action dated July 30, 2008, and to the Advisory Action mailed October 9, 2008, is requested. Electronic payment is submitted by credit card to cover the extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Eckert

Registration No. 52,848

Customer No. 24113

Patterson, Thuente, Skaar & Christensen, P.A.

4800 IDS Center

80 South 8th Street

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-2100

Telephone: (612) 252-1541

Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.